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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, after the title, please insert the following sentence.

--This application is a U.S. National Phase application of PCT International Application No. PCT/GB99/00626.--

Page 3, line 5, change "actalysts" to --catalysts--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) An emission control exhaust gas aftertreatment apparatus for exhaust gases from diesel engines [, especially light duty diesel engines,] comprising a source of NO<sub>2</sub> [and] a particulate trap, [characterised in that] and an exhaust gas by-pass [is provided so that], wherein a portion of the exhaust gases do not pass through the trap, such that at most 85 % of engine-out particulates are collected on the trap and combusted in the presence of said NO<sub>2</sub> in said trap.